

providing at least one item of observational information that is related to the physical object, wherein the observational information includes defect information regarding the physical object;

assigning at least one observational identifier to the item of observational information;

annotating the graphical representation of the physical object with the observational identifier; and

associating in the computer the object identifier to the observational identifier.

19. (Amended) A program storage device storing instructions that when executed perform the method comprising:

assigning an object identifier to a graphical representation of a physical object, wherein the object identifier uniquely identifies a document;

receiving a request for the display of an observational information item relating to a physical object, wherein the observational information includes defect information regarding the physical object;

associating, in the computer, the object identifier to the observational identifier;

and

displaying the observational information item; and

displaying an annotated graphical representation of the physical object that describes the view associated with observational information item.

20. (Amended) A method of assigning responsibility for building defects, including:

associating a plurality of subcontractor identifiers to a plurality of subcontractors;

associating a plurality of trade identifiers to the subcontractor identifiers;

assigning a trade percentage to one of the trade identifiers, the trade percentage identifying a cost to repair a defect for the trade identified by the trade identifier; and